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LETTER IN RESPONSE TO MISSING PARTS NOTICE

A missing parts letter dated 9/18/2006 (copy enclosed) was mailed to the undersigned. In response to this notice, applicant submits the required translation. It is herewith stated that the accompanying translation is a true translation of the international application as filed. A surcharge (\$130.00) for belated filing of the translation has been paid at the time of submitting the transmittal letter under 35 USC 371.

Authorization is herewith given to charge any fees or any shortages in any fees required during prosecution of this application and not paid by other means to Patent and Trademark Office deposit account 501199.

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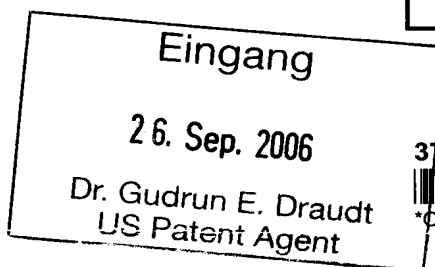
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The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Translation of the application into English. Note a processing fee will be required if submitted later than 30 months from the priority date.

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